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NATIONAL RAINFED AREA AUTHORITY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the States where Rainfed Area Development Programme has been implemented during the last three years;

(b) the specific work carried out in those States by the Union Government and the amount spent thereon;

(c) whether the National Rainfed Area Authority proposes to include more areas under the programme during 2007-08; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)to(d): The number of states where the Rainfed Area Development Programme has been implemented during the last three years is `nil` as the new Rainfed Area Development Programme was announced in the Finance Minister`s Budget Speech for 2007-08. However following major watershed development schemes are currently under implementation which address the development of rainfed areas and degraded lands.
(i) Ministry of Agriculture (MoA)

1. National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Area (NWDPRA)
2. Soil Conservation in the Catchments of River Valley Project and Flood Prone Rivers (RVP & FPR)
3. Watershed Development Programme for Shifting Cultivation Areas (WDPSCA)

(ii) Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD)

1. Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP)
2. Desert Development Programme (DDP)
3. Integrated Wasteland Development Programme (IWDP)

The physical and financial achievements under the above programmes during the X Plan period along with the number of states covered is annexed.